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Communications and Technology Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION



Subject: Approve an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Communications and Technology Management Capital Budget of Ordinance No. 20050912-002 to appropriate \$866,000 for the 9-1-1 Back-up System project.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available from an interlocal agreement with the Capital Area Planning Council of Governments (CAPCOG).

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached

Additional Backup Material

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D 5-25-06 Fiscal Note provided by Budget

Ordinance

For More Information: Peter Collins, CIO/974-2344; Mary Lou McCarver, Project Manager/974-3097

The City of Austin and Travis County provide regional multi-governmental public safety services to the citizens of central Texas at The Combined Transportation, Emergency & Communication Center (CTECC). CTECC began operations in the fall of 2003 as a "mission critical" 24/7/365 communication center. A need has been identified for a back-up center in the event that critical communication functions have been interrupted. This back-up center, which would serve to mitigate risk, would address only a limited portion of operations.

All funds (\$866,000) for the back-up center will be provided through the Texas Commission on State Emergency Communications. The funds will be used in the purchase of additional equipment necessary and related to the establishment and operation of the back-up Public Service Answering Point (PSAP).

The City is locating and implementing the communications back-up center in the CAPCOG facility to provide basic service for Public Safety 9-1-1 services. Participating entities are the:

- Austin Police Department (APD),
- Austin Fire Department (AFD),
- Austin/Travis County Emergency Medical Services (EMS), and
- Travis County Sheriff's Office (Sheriff)

In the event that 9-1-1 call taking and dispatching operations must evacuate from CTECC, minimal operations will continue in the back-up facility. Although not all of the functionality currently in use at CTECC will be operational at the back-up PSAP, sufficient systems will be in-place to handle 9-1-1 calls and dispatch emergency staff. The Initial systems to be installed are:

- Plant, 9-1-1 phoneRadio SystemComputer Aided Dispatch (CAD)

CIP FISCAL NOTE

DATE OF COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

WHERE ON AGENDA:

5/25/2006 Ordinance

DEPARTMENT:

Communications & Technology Management

Amend the Fiscal Year 2005-06 Communications & Technology Management Capital Budget of Ordinance No. 20050912-002 to appropriate \$866,000 for the 9-1-1 Back-up System project.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

CTM

Project Name:

Project Authorization:

Funding Source:

Number:

9-1-1 Back-up

2005-06 Amended Capital Budget

Capital Area Council of Governments

8640-567-New

Current Appropriation:

\$

Amount of This Action:

\$ 866,000

Amended Appropriation:

\$ 866,000

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006 COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY MANAGEMENT CAPITAL BUDGET OF ORDINANCE NO. 20050912-002 TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. The Council amends the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Communications and Technology Management Capital Budget of Ordinance No. 20050912-002 to appropriate \$866,000 for the 9-1-1 Back-Up System project.

PART 2. This ordinance takes effect on

PART 3. PASSED AND APPROVED

, 2006

Will Wynn Mayor

APPROVED:

David Allan Smith City Attorney Shirley A. Brown
City Clerk